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FM AMEMBASSY MUSCAT

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INFO AMEMBASSY ABU DHABI

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AMEMBASSY DOHA

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SUBJECT: IRANIAN TROTL WITHDRAWAL FROM PRESENT POSITIONS IN
DHO FAR

REF: MUSCAT 615 (NOTAL)

1. AMBASSADOR ASKED MINSTATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS ZAWAWI OCT 12
W ST SORT OF COVERAGE HIS OCT 10 STATEMENT IS RECEIVING IN
AREA MEDIA. ZAWAWI RESPONDED HE HAD JUST TALKED WITH BEIRUT
AND WAS HAPPY TO SAY MOST LEBANESE PRESS GIVING GOOD, STRAIGHT-
FORWARD COVERAGE. HE COMMENTED THAT WITH PDRY AND PFLO
CLAMORNS ABOUT IRANIAN MILITARY FORCES IN OMAN AND DECLARING

THEY WOULD NEVER LEAVE, OMAN GOVT DECIDED IT WAS GOOD TIME
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TO COUNTER THIS WITH SOME TRUTH THAT MIGHT LAY TO REST SUCH

WILD CHARGES FOR TIME BEING. HE RECALLED OMAN HAS CONSISTENTLY TAKEN POSITION THAT NOT ONLY WILL ITS REAL FRIENDS IN AREA RALLY TO OMAN'S ASSISTANCE WHEN ASKED, BUT THEY WILL ALSO DEPART WHEN REQUESTED ON COMPLETION OF SPECIFIC TASK FOR WHICH THEY WERE CALLED. IT IS THIS POINT HIS OCTOBER 10 ANNOUNCEMENT IS INTENDED TO MAKE. ZAWAWI NOTED ALSO THAT OMAN WANTED TO GET IN THIS LICK AFPOSSIBLE ADVANTAGE GOING INTO ARAB SUMMIT. HE BELIEVED SUBSEQUENT ARRIVAL OF ANOTHER IRANIAN RPR OTHER FRITFDLY FORCE FOR ANOTHER SPECIFIC TASK WOULD BE EXPLAINABLE WITHIN CONTEXT OF THIS POLICY.

2. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING FROM BEIRUT, CAIRO, KUWATIT AND TEHRAN SUMMARY OF MEDIA TREATMENT OF AND ANY REACTIONS TO MINISTER ZAWAWI'S OFFICIAL STATEMENT.
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